

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday (December 14)

4:00PM Stacie Ringier by Frank & Judy Meirhaeghe

5:30 PM Matthew Andrae by The Andrae Family **MOLOP**

Third Sunday of Advent (December 15)

8:30AM Mark Sottos by The Family **MOLOP**

10:00AM Dale Langel by Dean & Sandy Martens

Tuesday (December 17) MOLOP

8:00AM Mary Reedy Piper by Roger & Nancy Carlson

Wednesday (December 18) SMG

9:00AM Ken & Donna Frels

Thursday (December 19) MOLOP

8:00AM Faithfully Departed by Joyce Alba

Friday (December 20)

9:00AM Special Intention

Saturday (December 21)

4:00PM Tom Chappell by Lydia Chappell

5:30PM Deb Gainey by Dcn. Jim & Jeni Brewer **MOLOP**

Fourth Sunday of Advent (December 22)

8:30AM John Roegiers by The Family **MOLOP**

10:00AM Kathy McComber by Dcn. Tom Gainey

**Reconciliation Saturdays 3-3:30
or by Appointment
Call Fr. Tony at 309-581-2923**



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Only when Christ is formed in us will the mystery of Christmas be fulfilled in us. CCC 524...(206)



Bible Trivia Question

What are the names of Joseph's parents?

PRAYER REQUESTS



Those in need of healing at St. Maria Goretti...

Sr. JT McNulty, Cheryl Alleruzzo, Marge Behn, Dave & Sandy Bledsoe, Patrick Bredeck, Fred & Lois DeCoster, Gwen Escajeda, Lorraine Gengler, Dave Gorge, Velda Grief, Lee Kimball, Cullen John Jamieson, Gene Mourisse, Kathy Mosley, Rex & Julie Shake, Flip Shemek, Maureen St. Clair, Charles Stone, Marolyn Tope, Dcn. Bob Vogelbaugh, Richard Wilks

Those who are Homebound or in Healthcare Facilities... Jan Seibert

Those in need of healing at Mary Our Lady of Peace... Brian Carlson, Pat Dzekunskas, Jim Hamerlinck, Owen Hink, Alice Isaacson, Janet Jacobson, Debbie Jones, Ryan Jones, Gabe Laleman, Ava Lawson, and Tom Schulenberg

Prayers have also been asked for...

Jason Bauer, John Baumunk III, Kyle, Scott Bowerman, Brie Bredeck, Ken Clubb, Jason Ferguson, Patrick Fons, Kevin Francescon, Carolyn Ghezzi, Lucas, Glenn Meeker, Carol Nichols, Charlie Parks, Vonna Quick, Rob Robison, Megan Severson, Claire Strayer, Matt Wadlow, Bernie Weidner, Jerry Wilcox

Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve 4:00pm St. Maria Goretti
Christmas Eve 4:00pm MOLOP

Christmas Day 8:30am MOLOP
Christmas Day 10:00 St. Maria Goretti

No Mass December 26th or 27th

New Years Day Mass Schedule

January 1st 8:30am MOLOP
January 1st 10:00am St. Maria Goretti

NEWS AND EVENTS



Holiday Hope

Our Angel Tree gifts are due back on **Monday December 16**. They need to be in a gift bag with the gift tag attached. Not wrapped. We at SMG have been generous in the past, and it is very appreciated. Any questions, call Ann Fennell at 309-235-4465.



Rejoice Advent Mission

We will explore the Sunday Mass readings through daily reflections and come together as a parish community to share and watch a short video by Fr. Mark Toups and his friends.

Wednesday Mornings after 9:00 a.m. Mass Dec. 18 St. Maria Goretti Church Hall Refreshments will be served

Contact Barb Kratt, 309-236-1385.

1. Thank all of you very much for your generous support of the Coal Valley Food Pantry. We will be providing approximately 50 baskets this year to families in need thanks to your generosity.

2. **A big thank you** to the people who volunteer each month at the Food Pantry. The generosity of your time is very much needed and appreciated.

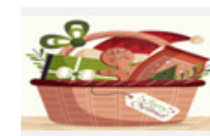
3. Following are the dates for Food Pantry activities for December. If anyone would like to participate you are very welcome to join us.

First Presbyterian Church
2431 – 1st Street, Coal Valley, IL

Wrapping gifts
Wednesday, 19 December 2024
1:00 - ?
Please bring scissors and tape



Food Basket Assembly
Friday, 21 December, 2024
9:00 - ?



If you have any questions, please contact Jacki Taber @ 309-230-6055

DEEPEST SYMPATHY

Our sympathy and prayers are extended to the family and friends of:

Benhard Johnson

REST IN PEACE



Bible Trivia Answer: . Jacob and Rachel (Gen 46:19)



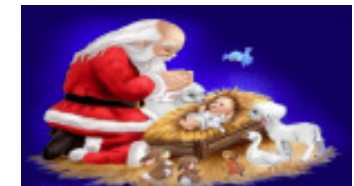
3rd Sunday of Advent

“Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God.” (PHILIPPIANS 4:6)

St. Paul reminds us that God is an abundant God – He is the ultimate giver of gifts. He promises to give us all that we need. Remember, that we are created in God’s image and likeness. We, too, are made to be generous with all of our gifts as well. Placing our trust in God frees us from being a slave to possessions. It allows us to gratefully and generously share ourselves and our goods with others.

SCRIPTURES READINGS

Sunday	Zep 3:14-18a; Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6; Phil 4:4-7; Lk 3:10-18
Monday	Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9; Mt 21:23-27
Tuesday	Gn 49:2, 8-10; Ps 72:1-2, 3-4ab, 7-8, 17; Mt 1:1-17
Wednesday	Jer 23:5-8; Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19; Mt 1:18-25
Thursday	Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a; Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17; Lk 1:5-25
Friday	Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; Lk 1:26-38
Saturday	Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a; Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21; Lk 1:39-45
Sunday	Mi 5:1-4a; Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19; Heb 10:5-10; Lk 1:39-45



What Do You Want for Christmas

“What do you want for Christmas?” This is a question we ask each other often before Christmas. Yet how many of us actually take a few minutes to kneel before the infant Jesus and ask Him what He wants from us this Christmas.

When we kneel before the manger and ask Jesus what He wants, it is very possible that we will hear Him whisper that He wants us to share a little more of our time with Him. Maybe each of us could make a New Year’s resolution to spend more time with God.

- End our day with spiritual reading.
 - Say the rosary while we drive to work.
 - Participate in Eucharistic Adoration
 - Stop into church occasionally for a quiet visit.
- The gift of time with God could be the very best gift we could give this year, not only to Jesus but also to ourselves. It might be just what our own hearts are truly longing for.

Something to Think About.....

“Life is pleasant. Death is peaceful. It’s the transition that’s troublesome.”
—Isaac Asimov



There will be Advent Penance Services offered:

At Mary Our Lady of Peace on Monday December 16th 6:00-7:00pm

At Christ the King, Tuesday December 17th, at 6:00pm

At Sacred Heart Church Moline, Monday December 23rd at 6:30pm

Advent Communion Service at Mary our Lady of Peace Monday, December 16th, at 8:00am
Monday, December 23rd at 8:00am

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS



If you wish to make a donation in honor of a family member or friend for Christmas, now is the time. Names need to be in by **December 18th** in order to be on the memorial list in the Christmas bulletin.